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The graceful contemporary lines of a new library building now dominate the La Salle campus. The completion of the edifice marks the realization of the first step in the College Expansion Program, and furnishes an adequate and eye-appealing answer to a grave problem which had confronted La Salle, that of unsuitable library facilities occasioned by the abnormally large student enrollment during the postwar period.

Expansion Program Forges Ahead With Library Completion

The new La Salle library building was opened to faculty and students during the latter part of November, it was announced by Brother E. Stanislaus, President.

Marking the culmination of many months of planning and construction, the library, unmatched for spaciousness, convenience, lighting and attractiveness, becomes the first completed

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Evening Graduates Form Alumni Group

The La Salle College Evening Division Alumni Association, composed of members of the first two classes to graduate under the Evening program, and ultimately to include all Evening Alumni, held its first meeting in the auditorium on October 13.

Following brief addresses by Brother E. Stanislaus, President, and Dr. Joseph J. Sprissler, Evening Division Director, the newly-formed organization ratified its constitution and by-laws.

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LIBRARY FUND REPORT

(As released by the La Salle Endowment Foundation)

Total contributions, and pledges to date \$230,266
Alumni contributions and pledges (included in above figures) 27,366
Number of Alumni contributors: 504.

Made during the past month, the gifts of the following Alumni are gratefully acknowledged:

Hugh D. McStravick, '48 Dominic V. Catrambone, '49
Henry P. Gillingham, '49 Francis J. Desimone, Jr., '51
William F. Wright, '52

It is not too late to contribute to the Library Fund. If you wish to do so, please mail your remittance to the Alumni Office, making checks payable to the La Salle Endowment Foundation.

Alumni, Students to Sponsor Blue & Gold Ball January 16; Tex Beneke to be Featured

Loeffler Appraises Explorer Prospects

Back from a highly successful trip in which he conducted basketball clinics for American troops in the European theater, and busily engaged for the past month in readying a promising array of Explorers for the season which began with Millersville on December 3, Coach Ken Loeffler took time out to convey some salient observations to "Alumnus" readers.

"We will miss Buddy Donnelly for his playmaking and defensive abilities, as well as Newt Jones, who had excessive speed and experience," noted Loeffler. "These two men will probably be replaced by either Ed Altieri, (LOEFFLER APPRAISES, Cont. P. 3)

Reviving the pre-war precedent of joint alumni-student sponsorship and involving a return to the name band policy, the 1953 Blue and Gold Ball, featuring the music of Tex Beneke, will be held on Friday evening, January 16, in the main ballroom of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel, Alumni Chairman John J. Finley, '24, has announced.

Tickets for the affair, traditionally the number one social event on the La Salle calendar, will be \$6.00 per couple, with dancing scheduled from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets may be obtained from the Alumni Office.

Patrons will be \$1.00, and since it is realized from past experience that a certain percentage of Alumni who do not attend nevertheless tender their subscriptions as Patrons for the Ball, (BLUE AND GOLD BALL, Cont. P. 4)



The reserved book reading room on the second floor of the new library is arranged so that stack areas shown in the background are readily accessible. This arrangement prevails in all three reading rooms, which are adequately illuminated from overhead aluminum troffers embodying the latest principle of fluorescent lighting, by which reflection and glare are reduced to an absolute minimum.

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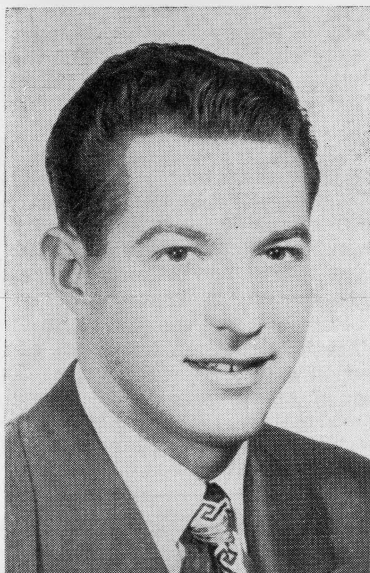
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Glen Robertson, '49 Enters Seminary of Louvain in Belgium



Glendon E. Robertson, Jr., '49, has enrolled at the American College of the University of Louvain, Belgium, in preparation for the Holy Priesthood.

Robertson, once prominent in campus activities and since graduation associated with the Roxborough Company, entered the seminary on September 30, under the sponsorship of Bishop Bartholomew Eustace of the Camden Diocese.

A Business Administration student at La Salle, he was a member of the Varsity Crew from 1947 to 1949. He also served as Vice-President of the Varsity Club, and as President of Sigma Beta Kappa.

The American College in Louvain, where fifty-four Americans from seventeen states are now enrolled, is currently headed by its first American rector, the Reverend T. J. Maloney. Closed during World War II, the College has just this year been reopened.

Legal Form of Bequest

I hereby give, devise and bequeath unto La Salle College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania the sum of \$..... or (if real estate) the premises (giving location of property) absolutely for its own uses and purposes.

EXPANSION PROGRAM

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project under the College Expansion Program.

Containing twenty-four rooms and with space for 200,000 volumes, the four-story structure, of red-brick and limestone, is located approximately ninety feet east of College Hall, and has a 180-foot frontage on Olney Avenue.

Completely functional in design, the building takes full advantage of the terrain, appearing to be a four-story affair from Olney Avenue with an entrance to the basement level. The main campus entrance is located at the first-floor level.

Of the ten bays in the facade, four are on the College Hall side of an off-center entry unit, and six on the east side towards 18th Street. The entry unit is located close to 19th Street.

The structure is divided vertically at the entry unit. The north side of the east section is devoted to public reading rooms, such as the student lounge on the basement level, reference room on the first floor, reserved book room on the second, and general reading room on the third floor. With the exception of the lounge, book

stacks on the south side of the building immediately adjoin reading areas in the same respective rooms, and afford ready accessibility.

The west portion of the building, consisting of four bays, houses control areas. Here on the first floor are the librarian's office, secretaries' offices, catalogue, charging desk and staff work room. The west basement contains a complete staff work room. Also in the western unit, on the second and third floors, are seminar rooms, and a faculty lounge on the second floor.

The central unit has a reference librarian's office, phonetics and microfilm projection rooms, and an archives unit, the "La Sallian Room."

The library proper actually occupies four large rooms. Exceptionally modern multiple-control fluorescent lighting furnishes uniform "low surface-brightness" illumination to every book shelf and corner in these rooms. So new is the principle that the Philadelphia Chapter of the Society of Illuminating Engineers conducted a field trip to the library on December 2 to inspect the installation.

Dedication ceremonies will be held at a future date.



Photographed through glass doors at its entrance, the reference reading room, located on the first floor of the library, provides faculty and students with spaciousness not previously available. An appreciation of the depth of this room can be obtained from the size of its windows, each of which is approximately fourteen feet long.

Meet the Brothers



Brother Edward of Mary, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, and currently Faculty Moderator of the Senior Class and of the Chymian Society, has been on the La Salle staff since June, 1946.

He succeeded Brother E. Charles as teacher of Organic Chemistry and related subjects in 1947. Prior to coming to La Salle, Brother Edward taught at the University of Scranton, Washington's De La Salle College, Pittsburgh Central Catholic High School, and La Salle High in Cumberland, Maryland. He also taught at West Catholic High School in 1933-34, again in 1945-46, and at La Salle High in 1934-35.

Currently he is a member of the national Committee on Examinations and Tests of the American Chemical Society, a member of the Pennsylvania Conference of College Chemistry Teachers, and a faculty sponsor of the Philadelphia Area Student Chemists' Association.

Brother Edward received a Bachelor of Arts degree from La Salle, and a Master of Letters in Science degree from the University of Pittsburgh. He has also done graduate work in Biochemistry at the Catholic University of America.

Although he entered the Christian Brothers' Novitiate twenty-five years ago, he plans on celebrating his silver jubilee in 1955, which will mark the twenty-fifth anniversary of his reception of the religious habit.

IN MEMORIAM

In your prayers, please remember:
Mrs. Winifred McCaffrey,
mother of Brother D. Augustine.

Personal Patter—By John A. Clement '39

THE SERVICES: Lieutenant Louis M. Backe, III, '51, having returned from Korea, expects his release from the Marine Corps next March. Also back from Korea is Louis W. Woyce, Jr., '50, who served with the Army's 25th Infantry Division. Thomas B. Quaid, '49, released from Army service in Germany, is again teaching at the Lincoln School. Recovered from Korean wounds, Captain James D. Tynan, '49, has been assigned to the Army ROTC unit at Loyola University in New Orleans, where he will be Assistant Professor of Military Science and Tactics. Newly commissioned a Marine Second Lieutenant, Joseph A. Hatch, '52, is stationed at Camp Upshur, Quantico. His brother, James, '53, inducted last August, is serving with the Army Medical Training Corps at Camp Pickett. Francis J. Hoban, '51, has graduated as a Second Lieutenant from Army Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Also commissioned Second Lieutenant: Donald D. Demuro, '51, at Fort Riley, Kansas. Dominic N. Matteo, Education '52, is stationed with a Medical detachment at the Army Hospital, Fort Clayton, Canal Zone. At Quantico in the Marines is John F. Ricks, '52. John J. Dugan, '52 Vice-President, writes from Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky, to report on some of his classmates inducted into the Army with him: James V. Covello is stationed at Indiantown Gap; Herbert E. Schweizer, Carl A. Von Hake, and James A. Muldowney are at Breckinridge; and William J. Mangan is serving at Fort Gilmer, New Jersey.



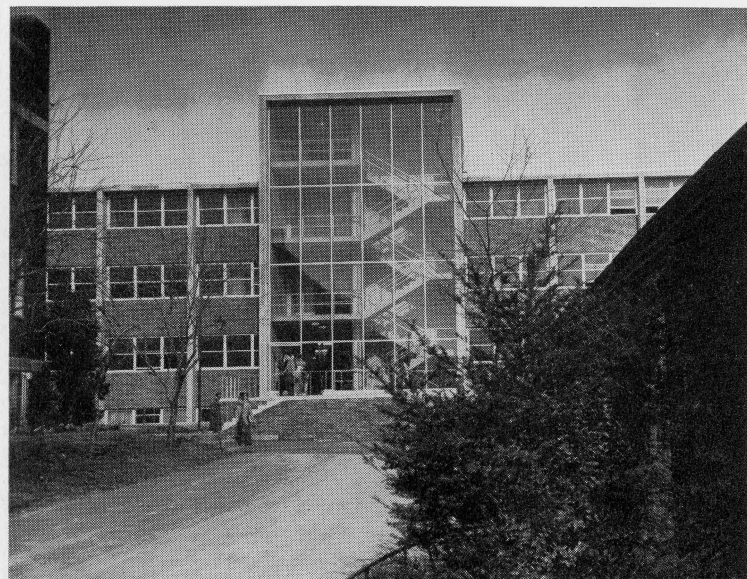
John A. Clement, '39

WEDDING BELLS: Theodore M. Mignone, '51, married Olga Vaglion in the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Camden, on September 7. Charles F. "Buddy" Donnelly, '52, colorful playmaking captain of last year's N.I.T. Champions, wed Alice M. Darrah at Our Lady of the Holy Souls' Church on September 20, in the Army, "Buddy" is stationed at Fort Belvoir. Also on September 20, Joseph Cody, '51, espoused Doris Gilmer in St. Louis' Church, Yeadon. Lieutenant Charles J. Keechner, '50, on duty at Ellington Air Base, married Jean M. Candlish on November 8 at Queen of Peace Church in Houston, Texas. On November 22, in the Holy Child Church, Margaret A. McCrossen became the bride of Ensign Gerald P. Nugent, '49.

BASSINETS AND FORMULAS: Mr. and Mrs. William L. Regan, '35, announced the birth of a daughter, Margaret Rose, on August 6. To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. McTear, '36, was born their second daughter, Joanne, on September 25. Veronica Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis T. Berry, '52, was an October 9 arrival. Major and Mrs. Nicholas F. Pensiero, '40, are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son, Frank James, on October 25. Dr. and Mrs. Henry P. Close, '33, announced the birth of a son, Thomas Martin, on November 6.

DIAMOND RINGS: Engaged: Frank J. Pepe, '52, in the Army at Fort Belvoir, to Marie Whitefield; and Francis X. Stanton, '51, Navy Supply Corps OCS, Newport, to Barbara A. Knecht.

THE BUSINESS WORLD: Frank J. McCusker, '23, is associated with the engineering firm of Rogers-Gross as Vice-President and Sales Manager. Edward J. La Vallin, '28, President of La Vallin Business Machines Company, and a Director of the French Society of Philadelphia, has been named chairman of a special blood donor recruitment committee of the Central Philadelphia branch of the Red Cross. Assistant to the President of Apex Express, Inc., is Vincent A. Needham, '36. John J. Kelly, '39, Regional Information Director for the Department of Labor, has been elected Secretary of the Philadelphia Public Relations Association. Manager of the Supplee-Wills-Jones main office is John A. Brnich, '41. In Suffield, Connecticut, Joseph M. Walsh, '41, is Treasurer of the Kaman Aircraft Company. Assistant Sales Manager for the Wisconsin-Michigan territory of the Nanette Manufacturing Company is Edward Walzak, '49. Francis T. Zarrilli, '49, who graduated from Georgetown Law School last June, has been admitted to the Pennsylvania Bar. Frank J. Hart, '51, is Sales Manager for the Blackwood Manufacturing Company.



A striking feature of the new library is the glass-enclosed stairwell which overlooks the roadway between McShain and Leonard Halls. Characteristic of this particular architectural design, the stairwell presents to viewers from within an imposing panorama of Philadelphia, while at the same time affording campus spectators an unusually imposing reminder that La Salle College has begun the most significant chapter in its ninety-year history.

LOEFFLER APPRAISES

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6'2", Bill Katheder, 6'6", or Frank O'Hara, 5'9". I purposely mentioned height to point out that replacement of the fifth man will be largely dependent on the size needed under particular circumstances."

From this statement it was readily apparent that Coach Loeffler will build his 1952-53 squad around Tom Gola, Jackie Moore, Norm Grekin, and Fred Iehle, regular holdovers from last year's championship five.

Continued Loeffler, "Substitutes who may develop are Jim Warrington, Joe Gilson, Bob Smith, and Jack French. We will need every one of these men in view of the schedule we face, the roughest we have ever undertaken."

Particular reference was made to the far western swing beginning on December 15. "First we play Dayton, a constant N.I.T. contender," said the court mentor. "The following night we will be in Missouri to meet Southwest Missouri State, winners of the national small college tournament. Two nights later, in Tucson, we encounter Arizona, Desert Conference Champions. Stanford, our next opponent, is always a power on the west coast. And Santa Clara, another foe, won the Coast NCAA title."

Loeffler summed it up this way, "I am not expecting to win them all. We can lose ten ball games and still have a fine club. Let's say, barring unforeseen circumstances and injuries, that we hope for a characteristic La Salle team."

THE BULLETIN BOARD

Books selected and recommended for Alumni readers by Brother E. Joseph. Librarian: Tom Lea, "The Wonderful Country," Little, Brown; Heinrich Mutschmann and Karl Wentersdorf, "Shakespeare and Catholicism," Sheed and Ward; and Richard Morenus, "Crazy White Man," Rand McNally.

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A general meeting of the Alumni Association will be held on January 14, 1953, at 8:30 p.m. in the library lounge. You are invited to be there.

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Coming events: Blue and Gold Ball, January 16, 1953.—Second Annual Varsity Club Reunion, January 24, 1953.

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Mail sent to the following Alumni has been returned, marked "forwarding address unknown." If you know the whereabouts of any of these men, please jot down the new address on a postcard and mail it to the Alumni Office. We'll be grateful.

LOST ALUMNI

Lawrence L. Abt, '50; Augustine Capo, '43; James P. Farrell, '35; Robert J. Insetta, '52 Ev. Div.; William F. Colman, '49; Charles McCloskey, '49; Sidney H. Orr, M.D., '43; William F. Reidy, '48; Frank J. Wahl, '50; Donald J. Yates, '49.

(Address correspondence to Alumni Office, La Salle College, Philadelphia 41, Pa.)

Campus Review



Alumni returning to campus will no longer recognize, by the end of the year, the area formerly occupied by the old library. In that location is being erected a series of new offices, tentatively planned to accommodate the Vice-President, the Dean, the Registrar, and their respective secretarial staffs, as well as Evening Division and Public Relations offices. . . .

At the outset of November, an ultra-modern Leonard Hall cafeteria, serviced by an all-electric kitchen, went into operation. With a staff of ten under the management of William A. Hall, the College-operated establishment provides elaborate accommodations, designed for ultimate expansion. Operating under a policy of top-quality food at lowest possible cost, the cafeteria is being enthusiastically received by faculty and students. Pictures of the new Leonard Hall will appear in an early issue of the "Alumnus". . . .

Brother E. Joseph, Librarian, announces recent donations of approximately seven hundred volumes to the new library. Brother E. Stanislaus, President, has donated 250 volumes on neo-scholastic philosophy, psychology, and travel, as well as periodicals and philosophical journals. Other gifts include 200 reference works in English literature and law, by Augustine J. Rieffel, '46, Instructor in Business Law; 150 volumes of English and American classics and theological works, by Dr. Richard Burke; and the complete works of Ciosue Carducci, outstanding Italian poet, editor and literary critic, by the Reverend Leonello Guidotto, C.M. Donors in the past have been Brothers G. Lewis, F. Azarias, E. Patrick, and E. Louis; Drs. Maurice L. Moore, Roland Holroyd, '27, and John A. Gischard, '38, and John B. Gest. . . .

Work on the two dormitory units proceeds on schedule. An inspection of building operations on the northwest corner of 20th Street and Olney Avenue reveals that exterior brickwork on the first two floors is virtually completed, and that construction of the third floor is well underway. The dorms should be ready for occupancy at the outset of the next academic year. . . .

The curtain rings up on the footlight season with a College Theater production of "Detective Story" on December 11, 12, and 13. Based on the recent cinema thriller, the dramatic offering, in the Auditorium, features a cast of thirty-five, including Eileen Scully, whom many Alumni will remember as Juliet in "Romeo and Juliet." Tickets, reserved at \$1.25, may be obtained by writing to the Ticket Committee, La Salle College Theater. . . .

The traditional Harvest Dance, held on November 3 at the Broadwood Hotel, was an unprecedented success, netting well over \$800. As they have in the past, proceeds of this twentieth annual affair will revert to the Christian Brothers' Motherhouse in Ammendale. . . . With the heart-warming and charitable objective of annually providing a Christmas party for the children of St. John's Orphanage, the Sigma Beta Kappa Fraternity sponsored its Thanksgiving Dance at the Whitemarsh Valley Country Club on November 26, with an estimated 350 students and guests in attendance. Pre-dance publicity produced a new campus wrinkle, a Clock Contest. Students were invited to note the exact moment when a turn-of-the-century timepiece, enshrined in the Campus Store window, ticked off its feeble last. Notwithstanding the unconfirmed but now-legendary vigil of the two students who, in the best traditions of the vulture, forsook family, friends, and curricula to be in on the kill, Louis Gagliardi, '53, first to note the immobility of the pendulum, won for himself, in his finest hour, a Zippo lighter. . . .

The editors of *Look* magazine, in a pre-season selection of the nation's top twenty-five basketball teams, rank the Explorers third. In the same issue is featured a full-page photograph of high-regarded Tom Gola, now a sophomore, who is expected to at least equal his brilliant performance of last season. . . .

PARENTS AND RELATIVES:

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The student lounge in the library basement today presents a marked contrast to the strained facilities of the old Leonard Hall lounge. Students, because of the ample accommodations afforded by the entire library, can now await classes or prepare course work in much more comfortable surroundings.

EVENING GRADUATES

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and elected officers and directors.

Officers, who will also serve on the directorate, were elected as follows: Robert Drayton, President; Joseph Dolan, Vice-President; William McCollaum, Secretary; and Frank Gaiati, Treasurer. Members elected to the board include John Brennan, Gerald Baldino, William Geisel, John Quinlan, and Edward Va-

solli, all of the Class of '52; and Edmund Fitzpatrick and Harry Baker, both of '51.

The Association has launched its first undertaking, the publication of a monthly newsletter for which it is currently seeking an appropriate name. A social affair, listed early in the new year, will be the second activity.

BLUE AND GOLD BALL

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Finley has indicated that an extensive solicitation program for such Patrons will be conducted.

Alumni participation in the Blue and Gold Ball marks a departure from the successful Alumni Ball revivals of the past two years. The change in policy was prompted by the strong sentiment for a top-flight musi-

cal attraction. In the Beneke band, Ball-goers will enjoy the nationally famous musical style of the late Glenn Miller.

Full details concerning the Ball will be promulgated in the mail within a short time. Tentatively scheduled during the week of December 8 is the first meeting of the Ball Committee.

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